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### CIP UPDATE

#### MORGAN STREET RECONSTRUCTION AND BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

Rockford, IL - August 16, 2011 - On Thursday, August 18, 2011, the Morgan Street Bridge will be closed to all traffic for the first phase of the bridge reconstruction and replacement. This first phase of construction will include both the replacement of the existing water main as well as the bridge's demolition. This portion of construction will continue throughout the 2011 construction season, as weather permits.

There will be a signed detour set up for those who use the Morgan Street Bridge. The detour route will be as follows: if you are traveling east on Morgan Street you will turn south onto South Main Street to 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue, east to Kishwaukee Street, and north to 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue/College; if you are traveling west on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue/ College Avenue you will turn south on Kishwaukee Street, west on 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue, north on South Main to Morgan Street.

**Access to residents and businesses will be maintained during this construction period.** Please use extreme caution while traveling within the construction limits.

The area of construction will be limited to College Avenue/Morgan Street from Kishwaukee Street to South Main Street. The total improvements of the project will include replacement of the Morgan Street Bridge, new water main, storm sewer, and some sanitary sewer improvements. New roadway, curb and gutter, sidewalks, recreational path and a roundabout at the intersection of College Avenue and Seminary Street will also be included.

The contractor is obligated to complete the project by December 23, 2013.

Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation during the construction process. For questions concerning this project, please contact Project Manager Martin Ruvolo at 815-961-3772.

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